GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4000
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DEATHS DUE TO SUN STROKE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any representation from Government of Orissa to declare Sun-stroke as a National Calamity in view of large number Sun-stroke related deaths taking place every year in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) to (c): The State Government of Orissa had sent a proposal to the Government of India and the 12th Finance Commission for inclusion of heat wave in the list of natural calamities to be made eligible for financial assistance under the Relief Schemes of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF).

The 12th Finance Commission had considered the request of the Government of Orissa but did not recommend inclusion of heat wave in the list of the natural calamities eligible for financial assistance under the aforesaid Relief Schemes.